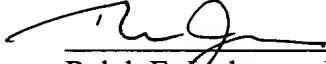


Comments on the Statement of Reasons for Allowance

Applicants acknowledge the Office's admission that the pending claims are patentable over the references of record. Applicants respectfully submit that while the specific features and relationships mentioned in the statement of reasons for allowance are not disclosed or suggested in the prior art, these are not the only recited features and relationships which are not found in the prior art. Furthermore, the statement sometimes indicates a general paraphrasing of claim language, and not necessarily the exact claim language. It should be understood that the allowed subject matter is to only be limited by that subject matter which is specifically recited. Any remarks in the statement which narrow the recited subject matter should be disregarded.

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